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Louis. if anylody doubted that the Southwest was moving forward in seven-league boots the 1,100 miles of new road built in that section during the year would remove the doubt. That is as much road as one travels over between St. Louis and New ruling instead of by Senate-ratified treaty.

The new road completed in Texas during the Kansas City. The year's additions to the mileage, tariff revenue would soon be in. of Arkansas, the Indian Territory and Oklahoma would stretch half way from Chicago to New York. fore, not lack for connections whenever the Post-

Though the Southwest still leads in new mileage. Chicago or St. Paul. And though Illinois already

The new road in the South Atlantic States is alcrease of all the New England and Middle Atlantic, all the time,

... THE BIEDS AND THE MISTLETOE

to this high holiday of the year every fair maiden

surely fail. As everybody knows, the shing white dertakes. In nothing is the muddle-mindeliness of bird that picks them enjoys the repast, but flies the sparks fly upward. He takes Job's word for away with the uncomfortable feeling that his beak

The hird alights on a neighboring tree and, finding heres to the branen by means of the sticky liquid. cerminates and sends its sprouting fibers through the bark; they spread out between bark and wood as imspired revelation of the divine Principle at and neurish another bunch of mistletoe for another

Because the bank of the apple free is more easily penetrated by the sprouting mistletce seed or permistletoe is found much more abundantly on the apweakens the tree, it is not appreciated by practical the London heliday were a few weeks ago given free range by the fruit growers of Normandy and Brittany, who allowed them to gather all the mistletoe that could be found in their orchards for the mere misery, proceeds to make the misery. That is the labor of taking it away.

Perhaps it was the rarity of mistletce upon the

THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. | sat that made it yes winter. It is an odd sight and less pretty than the ontrast of the mistletoe with the foliage of the tree

But, be it venerated by Druids or hated by utilitarian fruit growers, the mistletoe, wherever it grows, is planted by the birds; and everybody who likes to see Merry Christmas merrily decorated should be a sworn enemy to their wanton extermination.

DANGER LINE OF STANDPATISM.

The spirit of standpatism rises close to the danger line when in order to avert a tariff war with Germany, and at the same time keep the tariff question out of Congress, members of the President's Cabinet propose to usurp legislative functions and then to ask leave to connive at the fraudulent invoicing of imported goods.

This is, in fact, the gist of the plan which Secretary Root and Secretary Shaw are said to have agreed upon in order to pacify Germany. Since the Senate cannot be induced to ratify a reciprocity treaty and the question of maximum and minimum tariff must not be debated in Congress, they propose to reduce the Dingley rates by department rulings.

The Constitution declares that all measures for raising revenue shall originate in the House, and the Senate has never questioned the rights of the House in this matter. Any measure increasing or decreasing the Government's income should originate in the House Committee on Ways and Means and be acted tion, the West can go on feeding the East intellectuon by the House.

But Secretary Root and Secretary Shaw, it seems, have found a way to revise the Dingley act without troubling Congress. Their plan is to reduce the rates and the amounts of tariff collected on imported goods by reducing the valuations appraised upon the goods.

Then to remove all danger from the administration of the tariff thus reduced, revised and reformed. Congress is to be asked to do away with the penalties for undervaluation, provided the fraud in the valuation does not exceed a trifle of 5 or 10 per cent. Petty larceny is still punished in our police courts, but under this brilliant scheme of tariff reform it is proposed that robbing the Government of 5 or 10 per cent of its customs revenue be sanctioned by law.

Possibly the plan is justified by the theory that

Being thus hampered in the use of their skill ports of the year's work indicate that, so far as and the exercise of their honest judgment, and juxury on his income will prove himself a force in the new resources is concerned, the Northeast knowing that low valuations in certain cases would a finished country. In all New England only be gladly winked at by the Treasury Department. eventy nine polles of new rails was laid and in the our customs appraisers would likely become about once in a century or so, like the advent of a mighty Middle Atlantic States only 272 miles. In the count the shiftlest and most untrustworthy lot of experts conquerer or reformer, they do come to pass: And if my west of the Rocky Mountains the new mileage, that ever bungled a business.

of course, if such a makeshift as this were upon the wares coming from countries that did not bully and threaten. Administered in this way, the Root-Shaw plan would be reciprocity by department

Administered with strict impartiality toward countries, it would be nothing more nor less than year would reach from St. Louis to Cincinnati, while tariff reduction without the advice or consent of

A FEMALE CYNIC'S PHILOSOPHY

Men individually, thinks Sarah Grand, are nice reatures, quite tolerable. There are some even who may be trusted to do the right thing under any the Northwest has done almost as well, and in that minions of man man is a misery-making animal." region St. Louis does not stand out of the way for exclaims the author of "The Heavenly Twins," His whole career, she affirms, from the time he began had more unlies of rail than any other State except to keep an account of himself proves it. He was Texas, she added 200 miles during the closing year, put into possession of the knowledge of good and evil as soon as he was able to use it. This he owes to the enterprise of woman, and blames her for it. The naturally. When you are doing that which you most exactly twice as much as the combined in ought not to be doing, it is irritating to know better

In man's precepts, she finds, there is a fine flavor And the best of it is that in the South, South- of altruism, but in his practices he sacrifices the nest and Northwest railroad building is just get- masses for the benefit of the classes. In the axioms in the St. Louis field and the commerce of the new spect be insists that happiness is promoted by meral people and new industries that follow the railroad grace, not by material prosperity; yet all his pracbuilders will give us our Million before we know it. fice is to promote material advance, and all his habit is to vaunt it. When things go wrong man excuses himself on the plea of his poor, weak, human nature; in the full tide of success he boasts who has stood under the Yuletide mistletoe and de of his wondrous works; but the works upon which lighted in the gentle explosion that followed should be prides himself are seldom great moral achievements. It is his divergence between his precepts For without the birds the mistletoe crop would mindedness that is now apparent in all that he unberries of the mistletoe, which contribute so much man more obvious than in his favorite pronounceto the beauty of Christmas decoration, contain the ments with regard to his own destiny. He insists that man was made for misery as surely as that that; but Job at the time that he attered the exclamation was a puppet in a curious and cruel conneither rispkin nor finger bowl, does the best he can. Evil: he was horribly tormented and consequently in his poor little bird way. He whets his beak upon not in a normal frame of mind. The pronounce the branch he sits on and thereby plants another ments of a man in such a condition, comments the sharp critic, cannot be accepted as evidence of anything but his own peculiar circumstances.

way across. There was no cocaping an encounter. so the backweedsman prepared himself. "Lord, not help me, don't help that bear! Jest stan' by fur fair play, and thou wilst see the finest fight that's been down here since then madest the place."

who assert that we are not made to be happy. But man, having decided that mankind is made for way Sarah Grand's thesis runs.

The contribution of this celebrated woman wit the Gaelle League is doing its work.

ors to next Sunday's number of the Monas Duke of Argyll, Zona Gale, Sarah Grand, Count Doyle, Edgar Welton Cooley, Tudor Jenks, Clinton Scollard, S. E. Kiser, Carolyn Wells, No other magazine on the bookstalle presents in a single

his line, and instead of squandering millions will accumulate tens of millions; instead of living in useless industrial and financial world, a man able to fight and conquer like his father or grandfather?

Extraordinary happenings are always unexpected, yet there should arise in this land a man of 30 or 40 who. starting with two or three billions owned or controlled by him) should be great enough to brush aside the In these three sections the new track is less than adopted in practice it would never be executed in trammels of indolence and temptation, great enough to town miles in length. The remaining 4,000 miles is good faith. As long as Germany might grumble see that never in modern times has there been offered to this to wield absolute despetic power, great enough finally to use his two or three billions to its full potentiality, then well, there would surely be interesting history made in that man's lifetime? We have had our iron bines railroad kings copper kings sugar kings and others, but there is one kind of king we have not had vet. A real hing? Yes, for how long, pray, would this Republic stand against the aggressions of such a man, a great-minded despot without conscience or bounds to ambition, one in comparison to whom our Rockefelters and Carnegies would seem like blupdering beginners? Already our millionaire magnates have begun to buy our courts and Legislatures, to corrupt our cities, to debanch the public considence, he would finish the work and do it thoroughly, he would make the laws, ewn the newspapers, subsidize churches and colleges, mold public opinion, direct the machinery of justice, control the industries, the banks, the insurance companies, the conditions of labor, regulate supply and demand, fix prices, absorb profits, centralize everything, e everything. Why not? Even as things are, has the world any king more powerful than J. P. Morgan of John D. Rockefeller? Remember how Burope cringed to Mr. Morgan at his last visit, with Emperors seeking his favor and Princes waiting at his door. A real king! Why, we practically have two of them already!

There had been a growing discentent in the Philippines to a year prior to the visit of Secretary Taft. In part this discentent had its origin in the agitation for early independence which was stimulated by the campaign for a promise of independence made in the United States in More yet, this discontent had its origin in dissatis faction with certain measures of government, one of the principal of these being the new internal revenue taxes. oming upon the country in "hard times." Latterly th feeling of dissatisfaction culminated in attacks upon the Constabulary, the insular police organization, these at tacks finally becoming open and pointed.

The ignorance of the Filipino masses is the ental cause of the trouble, but this does not excuse the Government from employing every means possible, both to prevent and to punish abuses on the part of its agents. During 196 the Philippine Government was not very happy in its management of this matter. The suspension of the writ of habeas corpus in Cavite and Batangas Provinces led to abuses and hardships greater than those to was designed to cure, and cost the Government heavily in popular sympathy, outside as well as inside those Provinces. The recent dropping of the case against a wealthy land owner of Batangas and capitalist of Manila for alleged support of the bandits is an admission of erfor in that prosecution, which last May and June stiered up a great furor. Worst error of all was the Governcal newspaper of the Filipines, for alleged criminal libel certain officials of the Constabulary. That it printed things it could not prove, seems cartain. That more serithings than it printed are true, is believed by all Filipinos, whether friendly or unfriendly to American Renarimiento put the Government in the light of desirgovernment. This being so, the prosecution of El ing to squaich criticism instead of being chiefly concerned with superessing abuses of its agents.

religious. It is a movement to preserve the race, literaevolution as the Kentucky pioneer who was swim- ture, and legends of the Irish by preserving the lanof the earlier generations, and to develop the old indusries of Ireland, in a word, in no inimical spirit, to reout the Anglicization of the country. It has the suphelp me!" he prayed. "But, O Lord, if thou wilst port of frishmen of the most opposite political policies, man in the north as well as of the Romanist in the The characteristics of the Celtic race are, as theotor Hyde defines them, lightness, brightness, wit, fuency, readiness, the artistic temperament, while those of the English race are steadiness, perseverance, and business aptitude. It is to preserve those qualities which business apilitude. It is to preserve those qualities which are the special gift of the Irish and ought to constitute. Thanks are due to all who have kindly ancient tradition of innguage, literature, and life, that the laborious task of collation of the voluminous array of facts necessary to make this undertaking a success.

A SERMON FOR TO-DAY

Prepared for The Republic by H. P. Cope Stitler of Mann's Horn.

Secilard, S. E. Kiser, Carolyn Wella. No other magnaine on the besistalis presents in a single is seen such a galaxy. The fiburations are in heaving the season of the positive of the care. In next Stunday a number you should observe particularly the "Tales Told in Wankington" (anonymous), which three the proper of importance now in the public eye. Every feature. Including the installment of the great "Six Nigel" including the installment of the great "Six Nigel" and Six Habert, will be well worth the attention of critical magnaine readers. A copy of the Magnaine gow without extra charge to every reader of the regular Sunday paper.

An increase in the number of accidents due to reckless mining and some falling off in the output of the Chicknass and Choctaw coal lands are god to the reasons why those lands should be sold into private ownership without unnecessary delay. Still, with a yield of 2500,000 tons, the Indian Territory has done pretty well in the matter of coal during the year.

Colonel Watterson abjures sectionalism, but cannot blind himself to the fact that the East nownally as well as physically.

With or without timigration, land values in the South have been steadily advancing during the south of the colonial their theory and homor. Well, for the proper consideration, the west can go on feeding the East intellectually as well as physically.

With or without timigration, land values in the South have been steadily advancing during the last year or two. But much of the beat land is still cheap enough to be very attractive to a man with a small capital who knows a good investment when he sees it.

Frenzied finance is playing queer pranks with the interest rate in Wall street. Out here in the West and Southwest, having sold our crops for good money, we do not need cash badly enough to pay entire the south have been steadily advancing during the last the proper was an investment of the pressure of the fact and reverse the capital fibrory and the pressure of the south in the court of the court of the cour Messed are the people that know the joyful sound; they hoall walk. O Lord, to the light of thy countenance. In life anne shall they rejoice all the day.—Panims laxax. 15, 36.

Possibly the plan is justified by the theory that Dingley's is a robber tariff anyhow, and that it is no crime to rob a thief. If so, Secretary Root and Secretary Shaw are to be commended for their discernment in correctly sizing up the Dingley act, but their remedy partakes rather overmuch of the code of the smaller rogues who would gladly make prevent of a successful highwayman.

The scaling down of valuations on imports is suggested by the desire to pacify Germany, but if adopted it will, they say, apply to importe from all other countries. But expert appraisers are employed in all our custom houses for the sole purpose of ascertaining the real value of imported goods in the markets from which they come, and the ad-valorem tax is assessed on the appraisement. By the Root-Shaw plan the appraisement, By the Root-from which the goods are shipped.

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HYMNS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

THE NEW YEAR. BY PHILIP DODDRUDGE.

(Philip Doddridge, London, June 38, 2265-Lis-ton, Oct 25, 1751, the famous expostor, general riter, and author of many hymna, was an Eng-ish Congregational multister. He became peator of a church at Klisworth at the age of 25 and 127 he was entaged in training others for the tork of the ministry. This pour for the new say was given to the public in the cillect on of oddridge's hymna published in 1755. It was Great God, we sing that mighty hand By which supported still we stand; The opening year thy mercy shows; Let merry crown it till it close.

By day, by night—at home, abroad, Still we are guarded by our God; By his incessant bounts fed. By his unerring counsel led.

With grateful hearts the past we own The future all to us unknown.
We to thy guardian care commit.
And peaceful leave before thy feet.

In scenes exalted or depressed, He thou our joy and thou our rest; Thy goodness all our hopes shall raise, Adored, through all our changing days.

When death shall close our earthly songs. And seat, in sience, mortal tongues, Our Helper, Ged, in whom we trust, Shall keep our souls and guard our dust.

SEXTENCE SERMONS

Deeds cure doubts.

The life of your life is the proof of your

Many a trial is a test before promotion Love fills even family jars with perfume Truth is without value until it is vital-

The only way to leave the had cleave to the good. The best social refinement is to be re-

The light of the church does not depend in the olliness of the saints. It is easy for the plugs in the race to

despise the prizes. The sermon that heats about the bush always finds it barren.

You cannot give a quart of fove half-pint heart. There's a lot of difference between Veligion will not keep at all so long a

if all to yoursel There are people who never appreciate the rose until they apprehend the thorn.

The well of truth would be a good deal learer if we would keep our sticks out not need to worty about your credentials for more of it by and by.

It always spoils your appetite for life it

Some men think that they are doing a great deal toward remedying this world's wrongs by reciting them. Many saints are poor because their piety not vigorous shough to stand pro-

The state of the s The Rew Deat.

New Year. I look straight in your eyes. Our ways and our interests blend: You may be a fee in disguise, But I shall believe you a friend. We get what we give in our measure-We cannot give pain and get pleasure: I give you good will and good cheer. And you must return it. New Year.

We get what we give in this life, The' often the giver indeed Waits long upon doubting and strife Ere proving the truth of, his creed; But somewhere, some way, and forever, Reward is the meed of endeavor: And if I am really worth while. New Year, you will give me your smile.

You hide in your mystical hand No "Inck" that I cannot control If I trust my own courage and stand On the Infinite strength of my soul. Man hides in his brain and his spirit A power that is godlike, or near it: And he who has measured his force Can govern events in their course.

You come with a crown on your brow. New Year, without blemish or spot; Yet you, and not !, sir, must bow, For Time is the servant of Thought. Whatever you bring me of trouble Shall turn into good, and then double. If my spirit looks up without fear To the Source that you came from, New Year.

WHY MEN WED GIRLS NOT SUITED TO BE THEIR WIVES

BY DOROTHY DIX.

WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPURIZE.

I have received the following letter:

I write to sek way it is that there are so many some who would make good wives who cannot get good housbands. It is because men prefer butterfilter for aives, whose main object the bard-earned dollars of their husbands, or it is because good men are scarce?

There are many wamen living in ouigle bless.

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The reason why man passes over the woman who is cut out and foreordained and predestined by nature and Providence to make a good wife, and picks out the girl with no single qualification for being a helpmate to him, is one of the Dundersy things of life "that no feiler can find out," but that he does it no one will deny, and the devorce courts abundantly proves.

A man does not know why he falls in love with one particular woman, rather than another, and he never, never will know.

That men are not guided in choosing a wife by reason, appropriateness, common sense; good judgment, or any of the other course and proposed the course of sanity that they display in deciding the other problems of life. It is not the girl who dreaved the sensible woman in losing out is the fallacious belief that men are not guided in choosing a wife by reason, appropriateness, common sense; good judgment, or any of the other course of the course of the sensible woman in losing out is the fallacious belief that men are not guided in choosing a wife by reason, appropriateness, common senses good judgment, or any of the other course of the sensible woman in losing out is the fallacious belief that men are not guided in choosing a wife by reason, appropriateness, common sons, good judgment, or any of the other.

The widower, with a six small children the deciding the other problems of life. Is daily illustrated by the

daily illustrated by the unsultable metches that we see all about us.

The widower, with six small children that need a mother's wise counsel and care, does not select the woman of mature age next door, who shows that she has the Madonna nature by the very way in which she mothers the stray cats that come her way.

On the contrary, he deliberately selects a silly girl, who quarrels with his chil-

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On the contrary, he deliberately selects a silly girl, who quarrels with his children, drives the boys to drink, and the girls into running off with the first man who cake them, and makes his home a perfect inferne.

Tricht around and makes over all her old clothes and takes to cooking for amuse ment, and before he finds out the difference her woman who cake them the kind of wife he needed has lost her closure.

West of all the goed, sanelble girl in generally shy on the three things that attract the average man. These are, first, pre-timest, second, dependence, and third, flattery.

who asks them, and makes his home a perfect inferno.

The poor young man who has his way to make in the world doesn't marry the economical, thrifty girl, who would help him make his fortune, but the extravagant and fashionable young weman who keeps his nose to the grindstone and him sitting on a clerk's stool to the longest day he lives.

Old men who have reached the slippers and quiet-evening-at-home stage don't marry women who have also arrived at the age when they are glad to rest their hones, instead of exerting them in a dance. They pick out young creatures who are still mad for gayety and excietment, and amusement in every form.

And so it goes, and men continue to how that marriage is a failure, while the world is full of women who would make goed wives, and who never get a chance to fill the destiny for which they were created.

The reason for this may be found, I think, in the inconsistency of man, in the fact that a man believes ne is going to be a right reserved.

ENDLESS CELESTIAL SYSTEMS TEACH MEANING OF ETERNITY

BY GARRETT P. SERVISS.

The mental exhibitation of that the mendous flight was as fascinating as the dream of a hashish eater, infinitely more attimulating and leaving the mind not weakened, but broadened and strengthened. The thoughts of this nature that the spectacle of the starry heavens arouses are of far greater value than any of the technicalities of astronomy. arouses are of far greater tunes than any of the technicalities of astrenomy.

We found as I have said, no end to the colestial systems. As we advanced, new stars and constellations previously invisible through the effects of distance, began to close and brighten before us. Could we go on through all eternity and yet find no bottom and no shore?

In the universe, then, without floor, or celling or walls? There are certain discoveries made in the observatories which might be taken as answering these questions in the negative. They hint at tions in the negative. They hint at tions in the negative what the mil-

coveries made in the observatories which might be taken as answering these quescions in the negative. They hint at the existence of a bettom in various directions; they seem to show that the militude of the stars at last thins out, and then fails utterly, leaving only blank darkness beyond.

But can this appearance represent the Place yourself in imagination on the most obstant star that the most powerful telescope or the most sensitive photographic plate reveals, lying apparently on the verge of a black gulf of nothingness and face outward into that empty night.

Your mind does not and cannot stop there. You are compolled to say to yourself. This to be sure, is the tast star on the frontier of the invisible universe, but the invisible universe stretches on before me here, and can never come to an end. Beyond that blackness may be other starty systems infinite in number.

Thus it becomes evident that there is in the human soul such a consciousness of its essential relation to endlessness in space and time. me here, and can never come to an end.

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Thus it becomes evident that there is
in the human soul such a consciousness of
its essential relation to endlessness in
space and time.

Its immost nature rises in revolt when
we try to compel it to think of a final
absolute stopping place, where everything

The other night we went out under the stars, forgetting Congress and Russian revolution and a thousand petty interests and annoyances of the day and taking and annoyances of the day and taking seat upon the flying carpet of imagination, sped breathless onward into the immensity of space.

We touched at burning Strue, and then at mighty Rigel, and again at some more distant star.

Trillions and quadrillions of miles span away behind us swifter than a glansing sunbeam, and yet we could find no bottom and no shore to the universe.

The mental exhibitation of that tremendous flight was as fascinating as the large of the grandest of the great former of the day and the interest of the great of the great of the grandest of the great former described. Here we also do the great former of the great of the great of the great or the grea WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC. | ends. It is impossible to conceive such

of the stellar system is nothing, becauli these distances are measurable, and builty knows no measure and no bound And yet, strange to say, this infinity and this eternity, which dely arithmetic, and figure themselves but as dim expanses be-fore the imagination, are the fundamental axioms of the mind, the only things that we feel sure most be, and from which we cannot escape:

> TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY IN ST. LOUIS. The Republic Jan 1, 18 weather was fair and we temperature rising to 13